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1. The privately-owned wire weaving firm Pabst u. Kilian, Markscherstrasse 7, Raguhn, Thuringia, employs approximately 135 persons. Its owner is Frau Pohle, Markscherstrasse 7, Raguhn. The DDR-appointed trustee and the director of the firm is Rudi Brückner, SED. The master weavers at Pabst and Kilian are Karl Rast (SED), Otto and Paul Franke, and Werner Miertsch. Erich Tornack (SED) is head party functionary at the plant, trade union leader, and representative of the Deutsche Notenbank, Dessau. Willi Klickermann is head bookkeeper and business administrator.
2. Pabst u. Kilian has two workshops. Werk I, located Hauptstrasse 22, includes the fine weaving section where two looms, operating in three shifts, produce 7,80 meters of fine nickel wire screen daily. This screen is sent regularly to TEWA-Neustadt/Orla. Pabst u. Kilian also receives its steel reeds and machine parts from TEWA-Neustadt. The fine nickel wire for the screen production is delivered by Kupfer und Messingwerke, Hettstedt (SAG Martin). A special plant committee, consisting of (fmu) Zschocke, Brückner, Rast and Tornack, is responsible for Pabst and Kilian's fine nickel screen program and for the final inspection and acceptance of the finished product.
3. An official order, dated 2 October 1951, specified that all fine nickel wire weaving looms were to be transferred from all VEB weaving plants to TEWA-Neustadt by 18 October. Since Pabst u. Kilian is privately-owned, this order does not apply to this firm and, as of 17 October, Pabst u. Kilian's two fine nickel weaving looms were still in operation.
4. Pabst u. Kilian's second workshop, Werk II, is located at Markscherstrasse 19. This shop includes the sieve weaving section, around which is centered most of the firm's present production. This section is producing a bronze-Tombach screening, approximately 3-1/2 meters wide and 37 meters long, to be used in the paper industry for absorbing water from cellulose.

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